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Cc: OEL Staff **Subject:** Unfilled Slots

Thank you for what you have done to accomplish a successful opening to the 2010-11More at Four (MAF) program year. With over 30,000 available child slots to serve our state's vulnerable four-year-old population, your work will enhance school readiness for another large group of pre-kindergarteners. Yet, the need continues to be great. To date, the Office of Early Learning (OEL) maintains a waiting list with over 1,200 slot requests. Consequently, this office is beginning to contact contractors with unfilled slot(s) through September services. In an effort to utilize these slots and meet the current demand to serve additional children, the OEL will begin reallocating any slot not filled by November 15th.

To that end, as you end the October month of service, review your current slot placements to determine if your county is utilizing your current slot allocation. If you are unable to fill slots, complete a slot release form and submit it to our office immediately.

Concurrently, the OEL will review an internal unfilled slot report on a daily basis and, if necessary contact your office to discuss slot reallocation. **An unfilled slot is one for which you have not received reimbursement from our office.**

If you have any questions, please contact your Program Consultant or Susan Blackard at 919-981-5346. As always, we commend your efforts on behalf of North Carolina's children.

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